

**SAGUACHE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR SESSION MEETING**  
**ROAD & BRIDGE OFFICE**  
**9:00 A.M. TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2014**

**MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Joseph at 9:05 a.m., with the following members present:

Linda Joseph, Chair  
Ken Anderson, Co-Vice Chair  
Jason Anderson, Co-Vice Chair  
Lyn Lambert, Co-Administrator  
Ben Gibbons, County Attorney  
Staci Burkhardt, Acting Secretary to the Board

**II. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

1. Attorney Gibbons requested an Executive Session during his time.
2. Sheriff Norris will not be in attendance today.
3. Director of Social Services Jeannie Norris will not be in attendance today.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**III. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 1, 2014**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 1, 2014 AS AMENDED PENDING PUBLIC LANDS REVIEW**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**IV. REVIEW OF MAIL AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE**

1. **Marvin Reynolds** sent the SLV Extension June 2014 Report. (7/8/14)
2. **Daniel Johnson** sent the June 2014 Saguache County Fire Mitigation Program report. (7/8/14)
3. **State of Colorado DOLA** sent the Memorandum for the 2014 Notice of Valuation. (7/9/14)
4. **Postal** meeting dates and locations for hours of operation discussions. Moffat is only Post Office in Saguache County that may cut hours back, closing Post Office, or combining the Post Office with a business. (7/2/14)

5. **Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety** sent a letter to the Board of County Commissioners in regards to a Permit Application. If you have any comments please submit to 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203. (7/1/14)
6. **Rio Grande Water Conservation District** sent the July 2014 Ground Water Table Measurements. (7/11/14)
7. **State of Colorado Dept. of Local Affairs** sent a letter in regards to Colorado Alternative Fuels Funding Programs for 2014-2017. (7/21/14)
8. **State of Colorado Division of Reclamation** sent a letter in regards to Notice of Hard Rock/Metal Mining Permit Application Consideration Colorado revised to include Applicants Contact Information. (7/21/14)
9. **La Vereda Del Norte Chapter** sent the Trail Tales Newsletter Vol. 4 No. 3 July 2014. (7/17/14)
10. **Leverington & Associates** sent a letter introducing their business of Engineering and Land Surveying. (7/17/14)
11. **Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District** sent the Board of Directors Agenda for the Monday, July 28, 2014 Meeting. (7/21/14)

#### **V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Matie B Lakish – Crestone Eagle	Teresa Bennis – Post Dispatch	Randy & Cindy Mayor – citizens
Stanly Murphy – self	Chason Geister – Diamond Way	
Christian Mueller – Integrated Design Services		Bernita Curry – self
Ben Mohr – Diamond Way	Willy Richardson – PWBC	David Chiappini – CR10XX
Rebie Hazard – self	Marilyn Chiappini – CR10XX	Marshall Milam – CR10XX
Mary Jane Milam – CR10XX	Julie Mach – ScSEED	

#### **VI. COMMISSIONERS REPORT**

##### **Commissioner Joseph:**

1. July 2-3 Attended sessions led by Managing Results consultants to draft an Implementation Plan and measures, for County government priorities and goals.
2. July 7 - Attended Commissioners Work Session to interview candidates for the Director of Social Services position; and to work on Dept. Head personnel evaluations.
3. Consulted with Cherice Kjosness, Manager of Administrative Resources - Division of Property Taxation regarding Board of Equalization processes.
4. July 8 - Attended Commissioners Work Session in Center, CO.
5. July 9 - Had a phone interview by Susan Linner, Field Supervisor - Colorado Ecological Services Office, for US Fish & Wildlife, regarding Saguache County's regulatory measures protecting Gunnison Sage Grouse and its habitat. Followed up to convey updated documents for their files.
6. July 10 - Attended the Saguache County Tourism Council meeting, held in the Moffat School. Question regarding acquiring lodging tax collection information, referred to Attorney Gibbons for clarification.
7. July 14 - Attended the meeting of the SLV Public Health Partnership, in Alamosa.
8. Fourth review of the Scope of Work for XPlore to upgrade the County's main website, forwarded to Commissioners for final questions and comments.
9. July 15 - Attended the first official meeting of the Veterans Coalition of the SLV, which was well attended. The Coalition is focusing on efforts such as implementing an Incident Reporting form to document and follow-up on issues Veterans encounter; initiatives for women Vets in the SLV, and addressing Veteran homelessness.



10. July 16 - Attended the Gunnison Sage Grouse Strategic Committee meeting by teleconference.
11. Had a teleconference work session with Mark Talbot and Vivian Lawson, final changes to get the content from the existing Tourism site live in the updated template, which is more attractive and offers additional features. Discussion on next steps to develop content.
12. Provided a letter of support for Little Learners, which is seeking fiscal sponsorship by ScSEED, while they pursue their own 501(c) (3).
13. Received notice from Andrew Archuleta, BLM, that the airport patent has been conveyed to Saguache County.
14. July 20 - Sent notice and RSVP to Wildlife & Habitat Strategic Committee for a meeting tentatively on August 11, 2014.
15. July 21 - Attended the SLV County Commissioners Association in Alamosa.  
Attended the SLV Veterans/Commissioners meeting.  
Attended the SLV Council of Governments meeting.
16. Reviewed the 2nd report to DOLA for Strategic Planning process, prepared by Co-Administrator Lambert.
17. Reviewed information and scheduling regarding Board of Equalization, 2013 Audit, and August Eye on the County. Assisted with information for drafting and distribution of Governor Hickenlooper's letter of support for the Veterans Coalition, and with the Coalition meeting notice. Received correspondence regarding status of Bonanza road improvements; property tax concerns; current Hwy 114 property owner issues and concerns regarding the Cochetopa Scenic Byway, and Sales Tax Grants awarded in the recent grant cycle.

#### **Commissioner Ken Anderson:**

1. July 2-3 – Attended the Strategic Planning session.
1. July 5 – Attended a meeting in Crestone on a GMO discussion and gathering of signatures for a State wide petition.
2. July 7 – Attended BoCC work session for Social Services Director interviews.
3. July 8 – Attended BoCC work session in Center.
4. July 15 – Went by Leach Airfield, no fuel tanks as of yet.
5. July 17 – Attended the Senior Citizens meeting in Alamosa.
6. July 19 – Attended Northern Roundtable meeting at Road & Bridge.
7. July 21 – Attended SLV County Commissioner meeting and the DRG meeting in Alamosa.
8. A lot of calls concerning County Road T.
9. Call from Barbara Davis with the Fair Board, needing funding.

#### **Commissioner Jason Anderson:**

1. July 2-3 - Attended the Saguache strategic planning follow-up session.
2. July 7 - Attended the Commissioner's work session to interview applicants for the Social Services Director position and review staff evaluations.
3. July 8 - Attended Commissioners work session in Center.
4. July 10-14 - Attended the National Association of Counties National Convention as a representative of the CCI/Colorado Public Lands Steering Committee.

**-New Orleans, La.** –Jason Anderson from **Saguache County** was among 2,600 elected and appointed officials to participate in the 79<sup>th</sup> National Association of Counties (NACo) [Annual Conference](#), which focused on key issues important to counties like transportation, resiliency, healthcare, criminal justice and economic development. The conference was held in Orleans Parish (New Orleans), La. July 11–14.



- This year's theme focused on how counties, known as parishes in Louisiana, foster innovation and resilience during challenging times. NACo President Linda Langston, supervisor, Linn County, Iowa, made [Resilient Counties](#) the signature initiative of her term as NACo's president. "NACo's annual conference is the largest opportunity for counties to learn from one another, share best practices and set national priorities for the year ahead," said Langston. "Counties constantly work to strengthen resilient, safe, healthy, economically competitive communities across the country. This gathering provided countless concrete examples of delivering cost-effective services to residents." The purpose of the conference, held in a different county each July, is to provide opportunities for county leaders and staff to learn, network and guide the direction of the association's national advocacy efforts.
- U.S. Senator Mary Landrieu (D-La.), chair of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, spoke at NACo's closing general session and its Western Interstate Region Board meeting. She discussed her plan to fully fund the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) and Secure Rural Schools programs and increase revenue-sharing with resource-producing states. "In my view, the country has not quite figured out how to give back what we take," Landrieu said. "We just need a portion to restore our coast. It's the most threatened coastline in America."
- Speaking at the opening general session, U.S. Senator David Vitter (R-La.) underscored the critical link between economic growth and the country's transportation network, calling it "the backbone of the economy."
- Workshop topics included workforce and economic development; healthcare; criminal justice; county administration; and cybersecurity and technology.
- Jason Anderson participated in several workshops including Broadband infrastructure and economic development. Conference delegates adopted official policy resolutions that will guide the association's federal legislative and regulatory efforts over the next year. They address issues such as budgets and revenues; rural and urban development; transportation; public safety; emergency preparedness and response; environmental protection and energy efficiency; housing and community development and more. Resolutions will be available online in the coming weeks.
5. July 16 - Met with Mark Talbot and Akia Tanara of the Crestone Town Council and Kirk Banghardt and Michael Hayes of the Moffat School District to look for solutions to a parking issue at the Crestone Charter School.
  6. July 17 - Spoke with Sean McClung from UAS (unmanned aircraft systems) about support letters for the FAA application for the unmanned aircraft program in the SLV.
  7. July 17 - Spoke with April Dahlager of the Dept. of Agriculture about funding options for renewable energy for local governments.
  8. July 18 - Met with Molly Pitts of the Forest Service to share information for the Rio Grande National Forest master planning process.
  9. July 21 - Attended the Valley-Wide Commissioners meeting.

**BREAK**



**VII. CO-ADMINISTRATOR REPORT- WENDI MAEZ & LYN LAMBERT**

1. Report from Jim Sheeran, Veteran's office, reviewed and signed.
2. Lambert attended Blue Peaks on July 9, 2014. Lambert is now the President of the Directors of Blue Peaks for the 2014-2015 calendar year.
3. Audit presentation has been rescheduled for August 19.
4. Had a call from Randy Collister with a complaint about County Road T, on agenda for August 5<sup>th</sup>.
5. Pete Garcia with the Maintenance Department reported to the BoCC that the roof and the Social Services Annex is done but leaking. Discussion with BoCC
6. Discussion with Clerk Gomez and the schedule for BOE. Clerk Gomez reported to the BoCC that the Clerk & Records' office will only issue civil union certificates for same sex marriages, abiding by the law as it is right now.

**VIII. LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR- WENDI MAEZ**

1. Bernita Curry – SW1/4SW1/4 4-44-9 – Conditional Use request for an additional residence. The additional residence will be to place a mobile home for daughter and son-in-law to live in to help Ms. Curry with her property and herself as she gets older. There is space on the property for this additional mobile home, the water well will allow for this additional use. A sewage disposal system will need to be installed for the additional residence. No comments received from adjoining landowners.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL RESIDENCE FOR BERNITA CURRY, SW1/4SW1/4 4-44-9  
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

2. Delmar E. Frees et al AT&T Mobility– E1/2NE1/4, SW1/4NE1/4, SE1/4 5-45-10 – Conditional Use Modification to replace the existing top of the tower to bring better service for their customers. Construction will begin sometime in August if approved. No responses received from adjoining landowners. Representative for AT&T informed the BoCC of the modification of the tower to allow for upgrades on technology and answered questions the BoCC had on range, other carriers being able to put antennas on tower as well, would allow abilities for other carriers. The CBPC recommended unanimous approval for this request.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE CONDITONAL USE MODIFICATION FOR DELMAR E FREES ETAL AT&T MOBILITY, E1/2NE1/4, SW1/4NE1/4, SE1/4 5-45-10**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

3. Diamond Way Buddhist Foundation complaint on July 4<sup>th</sup> activities – Maez emailed BoCC the complaint received and the response. BLM reported that all traffic use of road has been approved, water use has been approved and conditional use in compliance. Randy & Cindy

Mayor stated to BoCC that they were never notified as landowners of activities, had complaint of equipment traffic and excavation, reported how the construction etc. have created washouts, gates left open and horses got out, speeding, vandalism, and complaint of trash and debris. Stanley Murphy reported to BoCC that gates were left open, his horses got out, and people were hanging on gate and signs were torn off gates. Also reported a large amount of traffic on road. Requested road inspection. Diamond Way representative who has been overseeing the excavation, stated he did try to contact the adjoining landowners and will improve on contact with neighbors in the future. Did state he talked to the person who left gate open and was unaware of horses getting out. Been talking to BLM about documentation of road, states it's a free and public right of way. No record of any guests vandalizing. Maez did not find any violations with Diamond Way and their Conditional Use Permit. BoCC directed Arredondo to go inspect the roadway and the dirt work around property. Attorney Gibbons wants information from Arredondo and BLM before BoCC makes any kind of decision of Conditional Use violations related to requirements for maintenance/improvement of road. Attorney Gibbons also stated that vandalism should be addressed by Sheriffs' Office.

4. Janice M. Coggins & Susan Pitts – Lot Consolidation request – Baca Grande Chalet Unit II Lots 3670 and 3671. The CBPC recommended unanimous approval for this request during their regular meeting on July 3, 2014.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE LOT CONSOLIDATION REQUEST FOR JANICE M COGGINS AND SUSAN PITTS, BACA GRANDE CHALET UNIT II LOTS 3670 AND 3671**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**IX. COUNTY TREASURER – CONNIE TRUJILLO**

1. Foreclosures are down and releases are up this quarter.

**LUNCH**

**X. ROAD & BRIDGE SUPERVISOR – RANDY ARREDONDO**

1. Put in an offer on the property north of the shop, \$63,000.00, was accepted. There are 5 dry lots and 1 lot with water and sewer. Will use property to build a shop to house equipment in the winter to keep equipment at a warmer temperature, is a necessity. Arredondo has money in budget.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY NORTH OF ROAD & BRIDGE SHOP**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**DISCUSSION**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**



2. Fuel system should be fully installed at Leach Airfield in the next two weeks. The abandoned airplane at the Saguache Airport will be removed tomorrow.
3. Attorney Bob Thomas who is representing John Piazza who lives in Colorado Mountain Ranches called the BoCC for a phone conference. Having an issue with another gate being put up on County Road 10-XX and Cagan's Court. NCRS installed the gate due to the Gunnison Sage Grouse mitigation plan.
4. Paving on Camino Real is done.
5. Presented a proposal to the BoCC for tire removal at the Landfill from JLM, only bid received.

**XI. COUNTY ATTORNEY – BEN GIBBONS**

1. Due to timing, Attorney Gibbons Executive Session will be held at the work session

**BREAK**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO CONVENE AS SAGUACHE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY AT 2:10 P.M.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**XII. HOUSING AUTHORITY – EVAN SAMORA**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JOSEPH TO ADJOURN AS SAGUACHE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY AT 2:30 P.M.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**XIII. SCSEED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – JULIE MACH**

1. Crestone Energy Fair is August 23-24, 2014. Fiscal Sponsorship, Marketing on track, website up, guest speakers secured from Center for Living Environments & Regeneration (CLEAR). Crestone Music Festival Pancake Breakfast will be August 3<sup>rd</sup>.
2. ScSEED is assisting Saguache Works with the marketing and website for the Alfred Packer Festival.
3. Wild & Scenic Film Festival will be held October 18<sup>th</sup> at the Ute Theater and ScSEED is helping with grant and corporate sponsorship.
4. Doing Real Estate Listing updates regularly on the Economic Development website.
5. ScSEED is the Steering committee for Vista Grande project, MOU for trail projects, signage, and education. Received \$5,000.00 grant for fall volunteer projects. Dates and details to be determined.
6. Getting fiscal sponsorship application and agreement in place for the Crestone Skate Park, planning meetings to start in fall.
7. Reviewing application for fiscal sponsorship for Little Learners Daycare.
8. Historic map and brochure draft for review and would like to incorporate interactive web versions. Presented the Saguache County events brochure.

**XIV. LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL – DESERT SAGE**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE LIQUOR  
LICENSE RENEWAL FOR THE DESERT SAGE  
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON  
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0  
MOTION CARRIED**

**XV. LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL – MOUNTAIN VALLEY LIQUOR**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE LIQUOR  
LICENSE RENEWAL FOR MOUNTAIN VALLEY LIQUOR  
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON  
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0  
MOTION CARRIED**

**XVI. BILL PAYING**

**XVII. ADJOURN**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO ADJOURN AT 3:10 P. M.  
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON  
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0  
MOTION CARRIED**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

**STACI BURKHART, ACTING SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**MINUTES APPROVED AUGUST 5, 2014**





Wanda Joseph  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Carla Gomez  
ATTEST  
CLERK & RECORDER  
CARLA GOMEZ

Jason Robinson  
COMMISSIONER

Ken Anderson  
COMMISSIONER